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Paul - ATTACHED is A DRAFT Letter as we discussed. Thanks for your help.

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September 1, 2004

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DRAFT

Re: Acreage Reduction Request, Wilson-Silverbell Mine Permit M/037/027, Umetco Minerals Corporation, San Juan County, Utah

Dear Mr. Hedberg:

Umetco Minerals Corporation requests that the permit area at the Wilson-Silverbell be reduced because the entire Silverbell mine area has been successfully reclaimed and most of the Wilson mine area has been reclaimed.

Areas disturbed by mining and reclamation were recently surveyed. Refer to the attached map titled "Wilson & Silverbell Mine, Disturbed Areas".

The entire Silverbell mine area has been reclaimed and successfully vegetated, a total of 18.3 acres. The Wilson mine spoils pile (6.9 acres) has been reclaimed but has not been successfully vegetated. The remainder of the Wilson mine area has been reclaimed and successfully vegetated (26.7 acres – 6.9 acres = 19.8 acres). Not shown on the attached map are pond areas, vent hole sites, power poles, service areas, and access roads. These areas have been reclaimed with the exception of two ponds at the Wilson mine. These ponds were conditionally approved by the Division to remain on site along with certain improvements in a letter dated November 30, 2000.

Umetco requests that the entire Silverbell area be released from the permit and that the Wilson mine area be reduced to 6.9 acres, the area of Wilson mine spoils pile.

If you have any questions or need more information, please call me at (970) 256-8881.

Sincerely,

Rahe Junge Mines Reclamation Manager

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